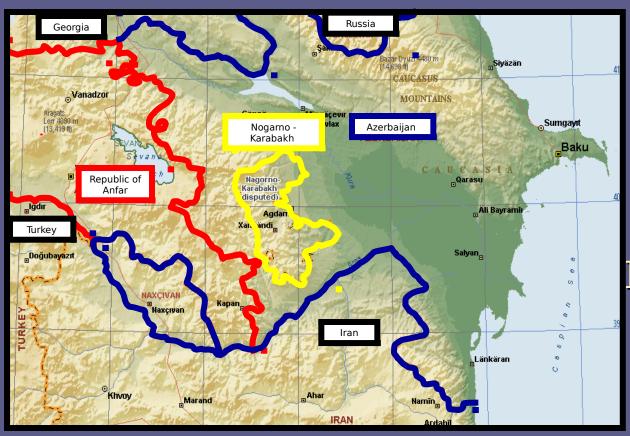
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Caspian Overview, 2 April 2002

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# Operational Environment

### The Caspian: ripe for conflict - critically important -

presents a complex full spectrum dilemma for use in force design and determining system

capabilities

#### **The Strategic Setting**

- Regional conflict with strategic consequence....
  - Get It Right = Economic/Political/Military stability
  - Get It Wrong = Potentially Spins out of control
- Competition for scarce, valuable resources... Oil, Gas...

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- Ethnic rivalry....Anfar vs. Azerbaijani vs. Iranian vs....
- Religious animosity...Christian vs. Moslem...Suni and



#### ation - flash p**Grisis Environment - Operational Battlespace**

- Sizable AOR with varied geography
   and weather / diverse terrain
- Austere and deteriorating infrastructure
- Fractured Public petitions

- Ongoing insurgency
- Significant NGO/IO Presence with .
- 5 million displaced persons
- International and Media Interest
- ►Thinking, adaptive -- fully understands his battlespace and his enemy!
- Will: exploit perceived vulnerabilities and leverage available technologi
  - Deny, limit, interrupt, or delay US entry allow no sanctuary employing all
  - > Shield by deliberate actions to counter C4ISR and neutralize air & missile fo

#### Operational Dilemma

- Anfar invades to seize and regain lost territory, control resources and force implosion
- Azeri Government in danger of collapse; military weakened, insurgency threatening

## CASPIAN PLAYERS: INTERESTS AND POSITIONS

#### Russia

- Substantial modern military- forces not available
- Desires stability in region continued oil flow
- Does not support sustained

#### **Republic of Anfar**

- Aggressor- Seeks to incorporate N-K into Greater Anfar
- Received military support from Russia and Iran
- Substantial military capability

**RUSSIA** 

#### **Azerbaijan**

- Historic Ties to Turkey and Iran
- Weak Conventional Military
- Seek unconditional return of occupied territory
- Unstable political environment
- Austere Infrastructure
- Rich in Natural Gas and Oil

#### Nagorno-Karabakh (N-K)

• Self-Proclaimed

**Independent Republic (1992)** 

 Seeks unification with Anfar

#### **Georgia**

- Substantial conventional militaryforces not available
- Seeks to avoid major military conflict on Georgian territory
- Wants to maintain independence from Russia
- Wants to expand role as transit country for oil and gas

#### **Turkey**

- Substantial conventional military- forces not available
- Desires regional stability
- Seeks to limit Iran's power in region

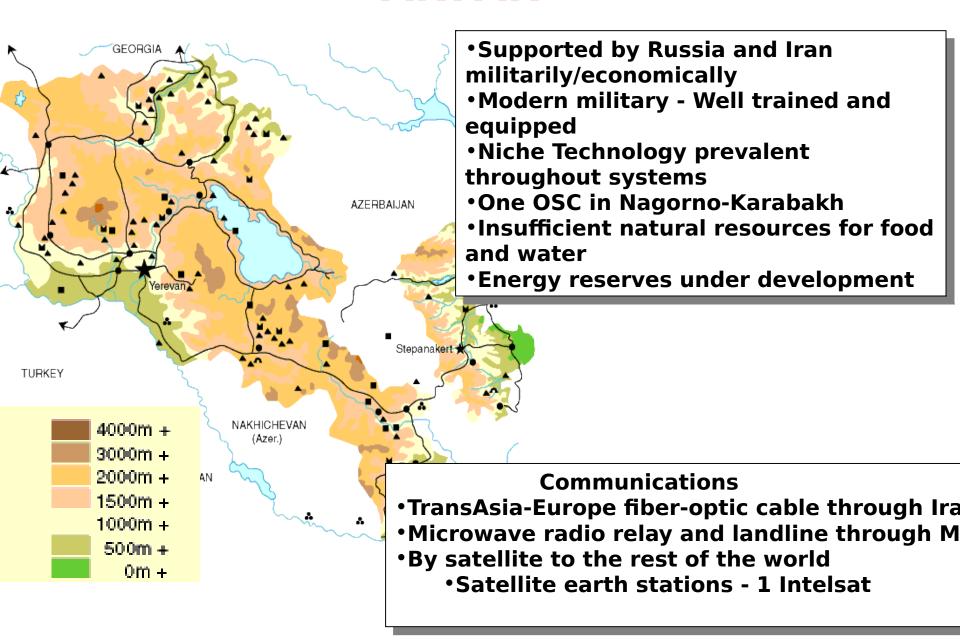
#### <u>Iran</u>

**CASPIAN** 

**SEA** 

- Supports Anfar, Poised to exploit situation
- Substantial modern military forces available
- BTC Pipe Large Azeri minority
  - Views Azerbaijan as rival for oil/gas
  - Seek increased long-term influence

## **ANFAR**





# DIFFICULT ENVIRONMENT

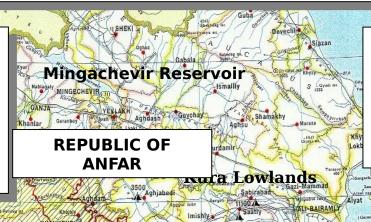
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#### **Terrain**

- Complex, Mountainous and Lowlands
- Southeast dominated by Kura Lowlands
- North and West Dominated by Caucasus Mountains

#### Weather

- Cold (19-33
- Degrees F)
- Icing and Turbulence
- Clouds/Fog



#### **Communications**

- Fixed telephones in Baku
- Cell phone coverage in some areas

- Frail government in immediate danger of collapse
- Standing Military of 67,000; did not keep pace with region.
- Increasingly militant Shia Muslim Insurgencies
- Over 20,000 US Oil Workers in/around Baku
- Deteriorating infrastructure: roads, rails, airports
- Large number of N-K IDPs
- Baku overcrowded/largely impoverished
- Internal coup in 1999

# CLIMATOLOGICAL SUMMARY - CAUCASUS

- Best Weather Season: Summer
- Weather significantly worsens in October; improves in March
- Worst Weather Season: Winter (January is worst of the worst)
- -CAUCASUS: Two Triangular depressions in Georgia and Azerbaijan between Black and Caspian Seas divided by Surnam Mountains.
  - -Georgia: Cloudy/Rainy in winter in flow from Black Sea. Warmest winters in European Russia. Mountains to NE block frigid air associated with Siberian High
  - Azerbaijan: Mild Dry Winters but more variable than Western Trans-Caucasus. Much of region is below mean sea-level but terrain slopes up to west (near Tblisi)

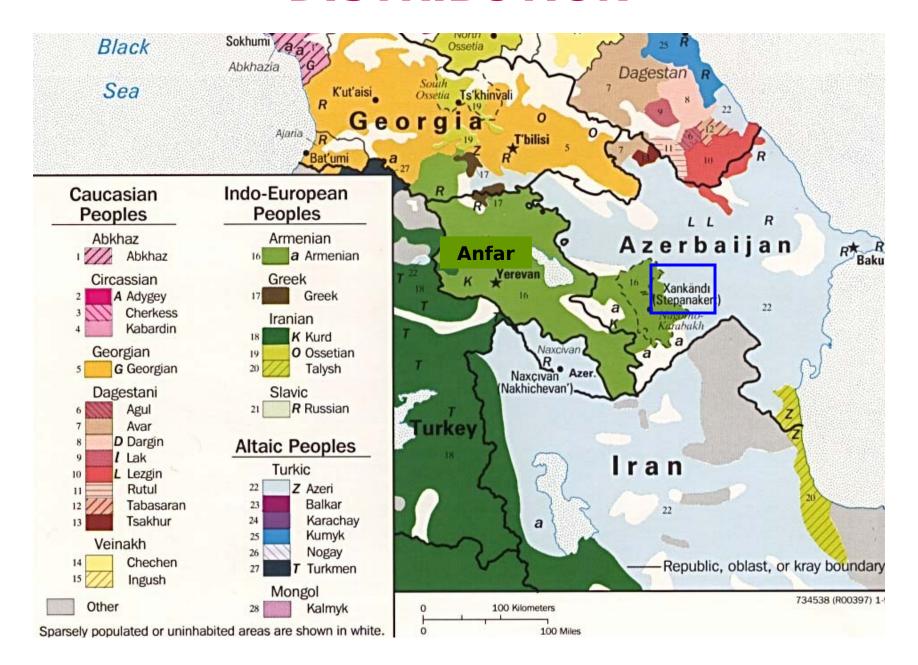
# **Azerbaijan - JANUARY**

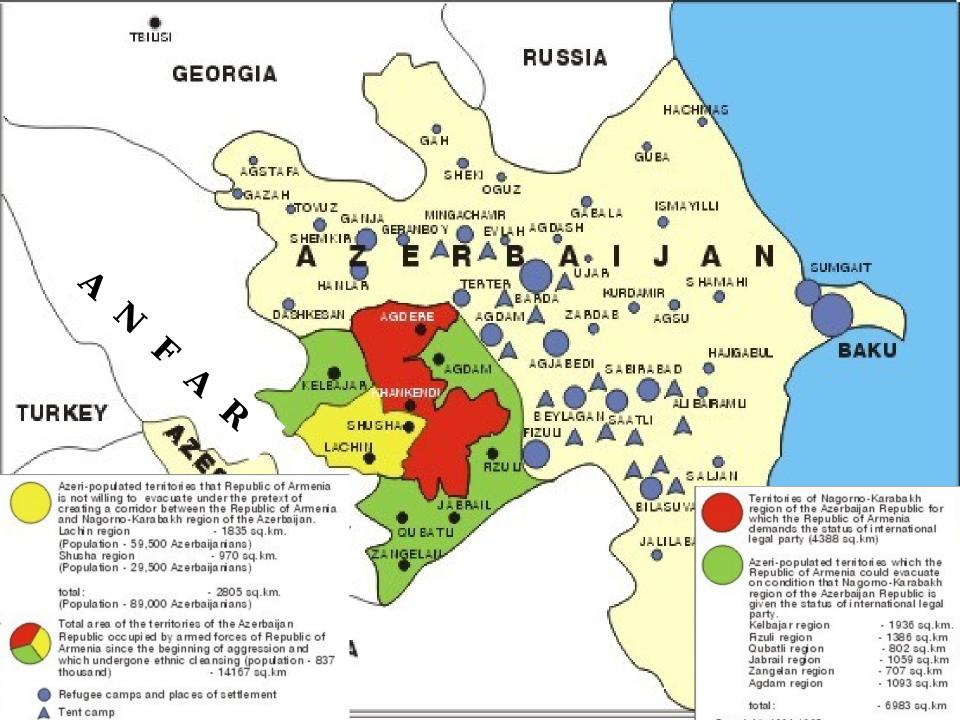
- Ceilings: < 2000 ft AGL occur 40% of time; < 1000 ft AGL occur 20% of time; < 200 ft AGL 7% of time (Worse around sunrise; worse in foothills)
- -Visibility: < 3200m 20% of time in fog; Worse along foothills of eastern Caucuses than Caspian Coast. Snow may drop vsby below 3200m.
- Winds: in lowlands from SE. Farther inland winds are from NW at 10-25 kt
- Precipitation: Rain/Snow mix or Snow 7-8 days this month. Snow uncommon in lowlands, common in higher terrain (Total liquid equivalent:  $\sim 1$ ")
- Temperatures: Mostly at/above freezing, but more freeze/thaw cycles than in west. Colder in highlands. Higher winds here cause wind-chills < 32F more than 60% of time; <0 F about 15% of the time (Worse in hills/highlands)
- Trafficability: On and Off road GO; Marginal in uplands (ice/snow/fog)
- Aircraft Hazards: Mdt/Svr Turbulence common esp. near hills; Mdt/Svr Icing common with approach of frontal systems

# WEATHER EFFECTS ON MILITARY SYSTEMS

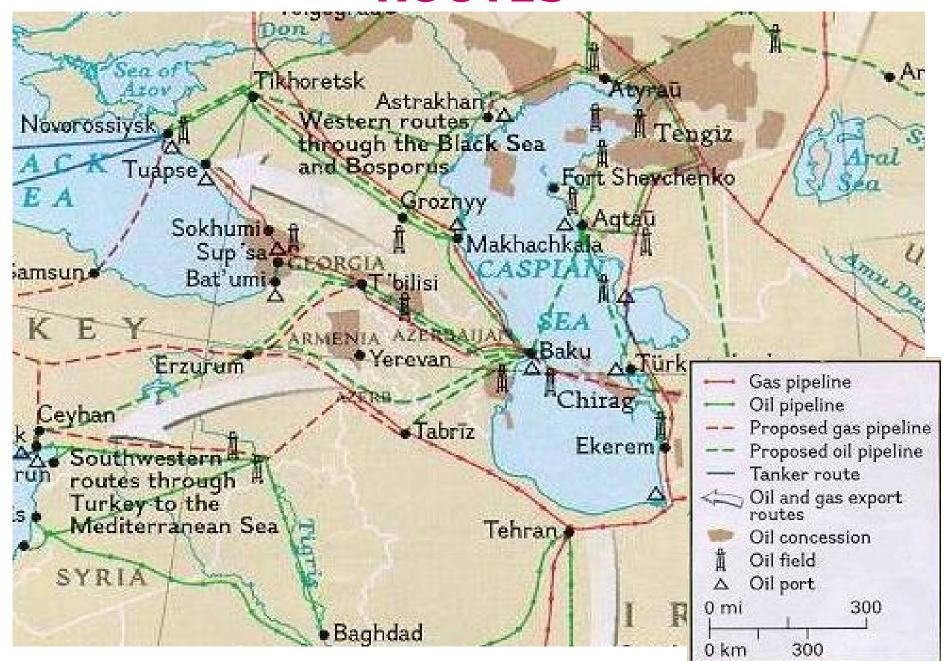


## DISTRIBUTION





# **ROUTES**



# **Azerbaijan Transportation**

#### Railways:

total: 2,125 km in common carrier service; does not

include industrial lines

broad gauge: 2,125 km 1.520-m gauge (1,278 km

electrified) (1993)

#### **Highways:**

total: 24,981 km paved: 23,057 km

unpaved: 1,924 km (1998 est.)

**Pipelines:** crude oil 1,130 km; petroleum products

630 km; natural gas 1,240 km

Ports and harbors: Baku (Baki)

#### **Merchant marine:**

total: 55 ships (1,000 GRT or over) totaling 248,155

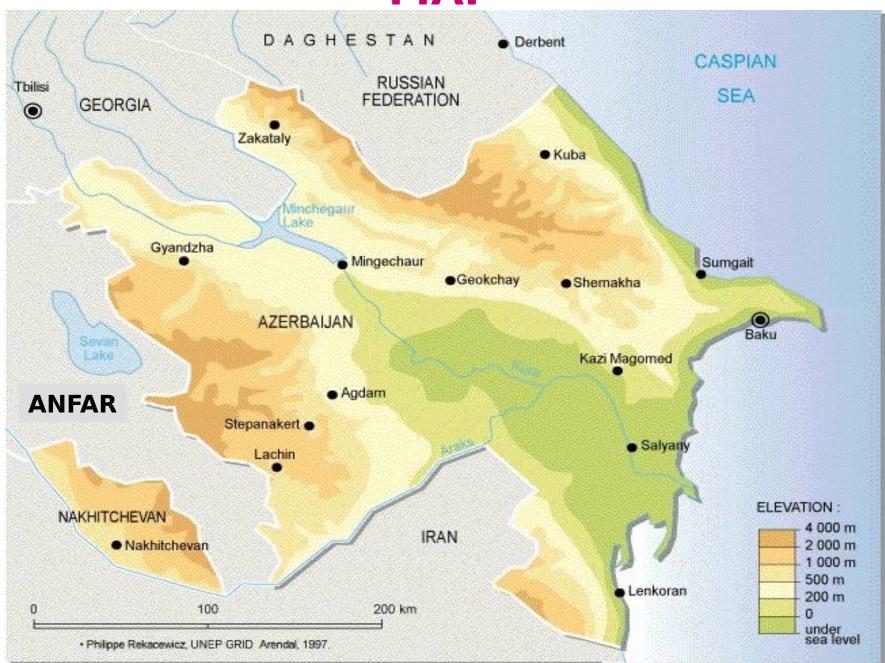
GRT/304,215 DWT

ships by type: cargo 12, petroleum tanker 40, roll-on/roll-off 2, short-sea passenger 1 (1999 est.)

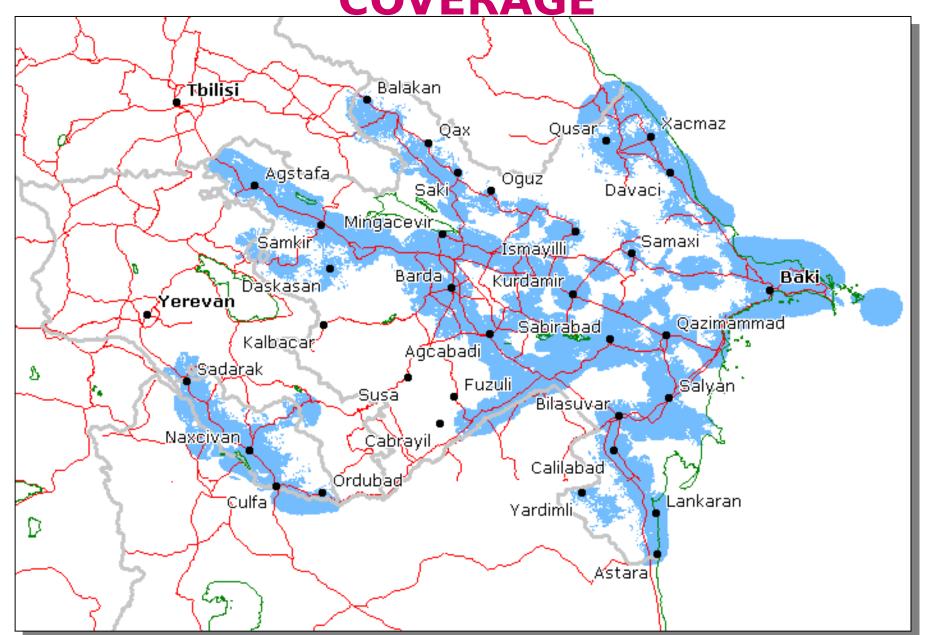
### **AZERBAIJAN - Major and Secondary Roads**

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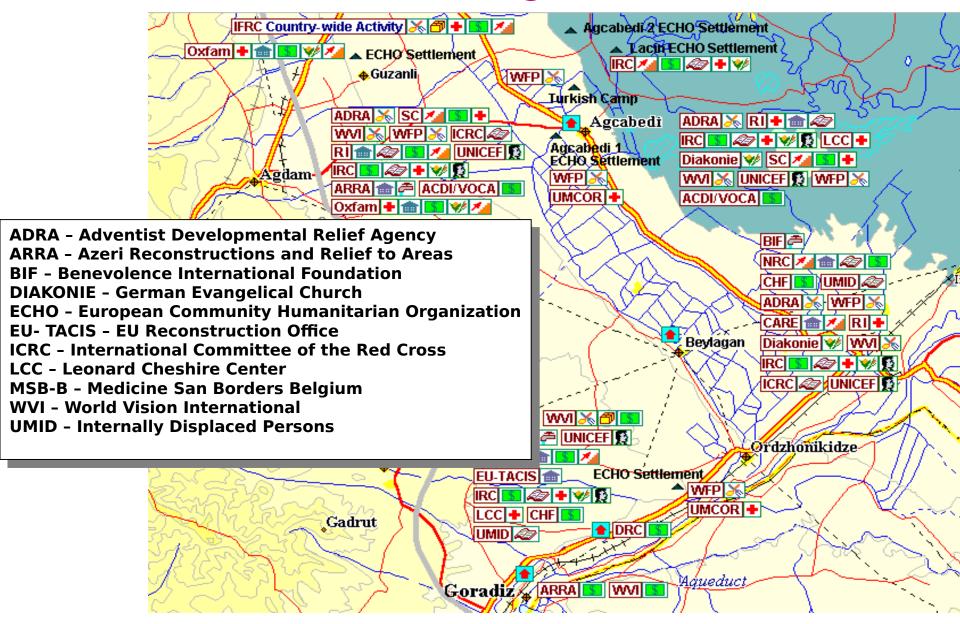
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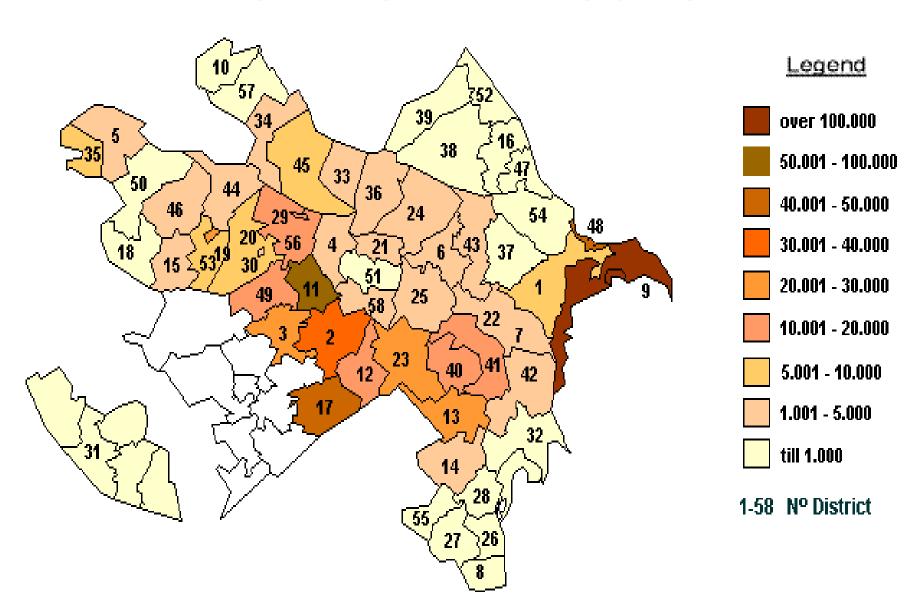
AZERBAIJAN CELL PHONE COVERAGE



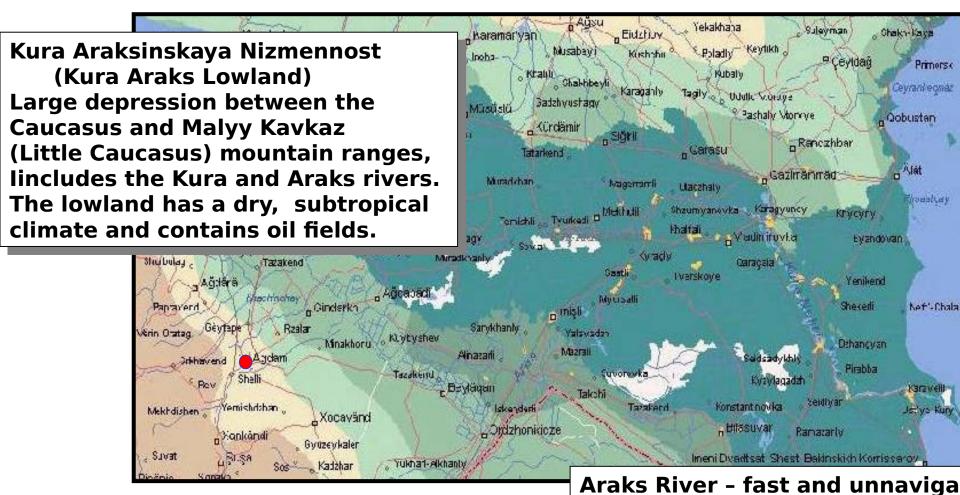
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# AZERBAIJAN INTERNALLY DISPLACED PERSONS



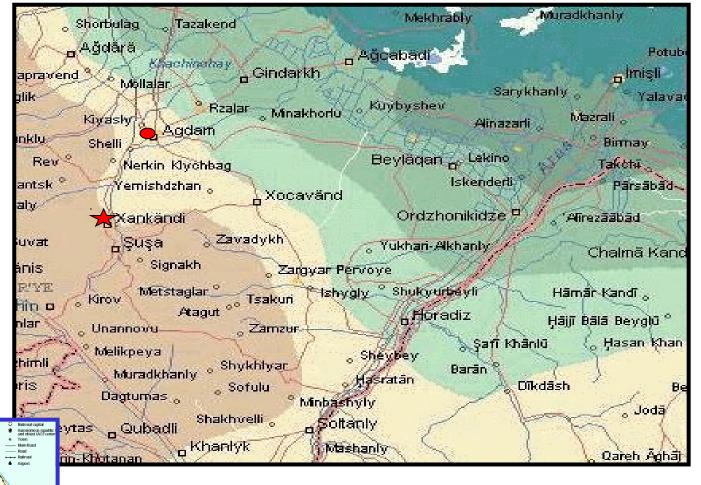
# **Kura Araks Lowland**



Area of Detail

Poor cover and concealment enroute Combination of agricultural and industrial areas Kura and Araks Rivers primary natural obstacles Lowlands heavily irrigated..numerous canals

# **Eastern Karabach Region**

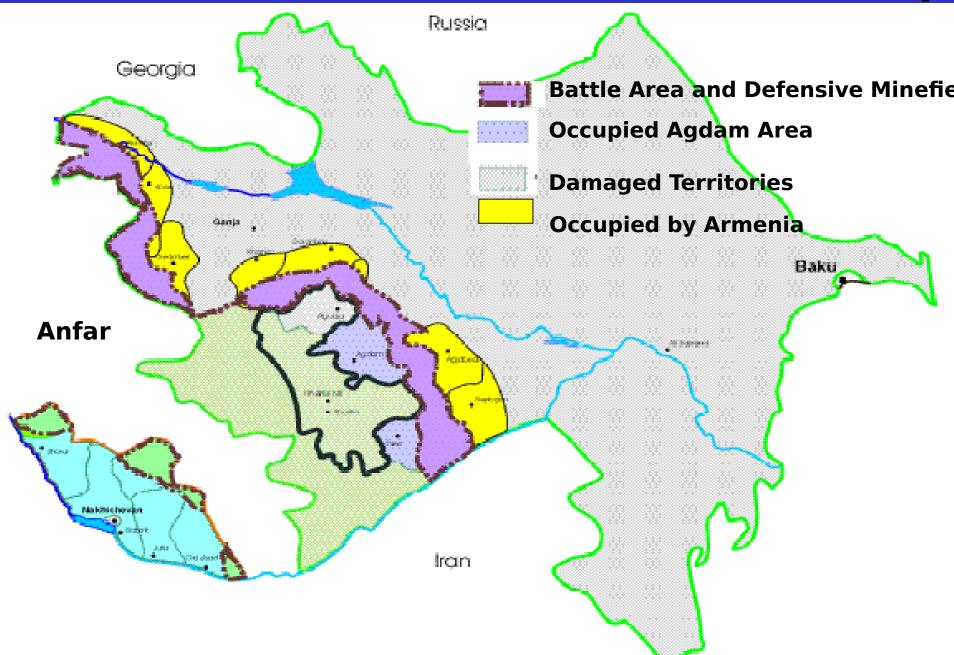




Irrigation systems less prevalent south of Agdam

SLAMIC REPUBLACEA OF Detail

# **UXO and Mine Contamination Map**



## AGDAM DISTRICT



Territory 1154 sq.km
Population 58000
Villages and settlements
122
Dwelling houses 24446
Industrial companies 48
Schools 160
Health care centers 65
Cultural establishments 373

Mosques 3

# Agdam



Mostly one - two story buildings Several 5-8 story apartment buildings Hard packed unimproved roads Trees and undergrowth restrict LOS

**Casualty Producing Terrain** 



Agdam Mosqu

Scene of ethnic cleansing by Anfari troops Slowly rebuilding after 1993 war 15k to 20k pop Numerous NGOs in area Unmarked minefields throughout area

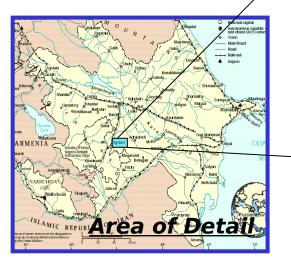
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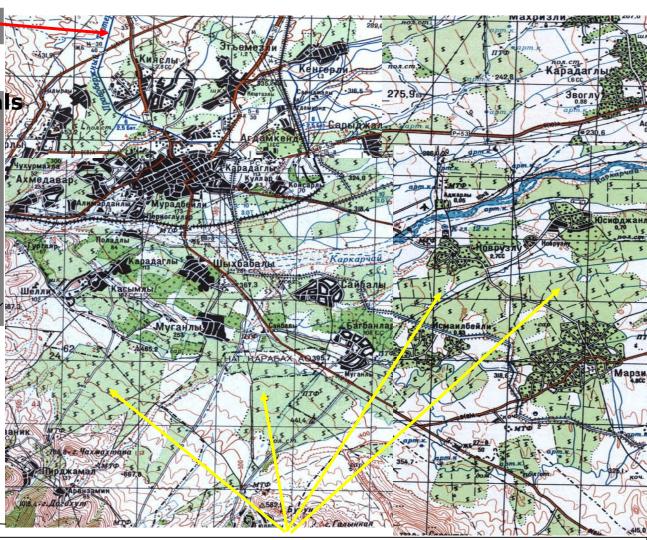
Upper Karabakh Ca<del>na</del>l

Numerous Irrigation canals may restrict ground movement

Uncultivated agricultural fields provide excellent fields of fire from villages and orchards

(Apples And Pomegranates)





Orchards with heavy undergrowth restrict vehicle maneuver and provide cover and concealment for ground troops

# NAGORNO-KARABAKH INTERNAL LIBERATION **ORGANIZATION (NKILO)**

## **Composition:**

Koyun

- Former residents of Nagorno-Karabakh—now in AZ
- Islamists playing on Shia sympathies—appealing to the "downtrodden" and those who oppose the corrupt AZ government
- Exact numbers unknown—believed to be several thousand

Hoktembe

### **Objectives:**

Yerevan

- Overthrow of the "corrupt" AZ government
- **Supportive Government in BAKU** 
  - NK in hands of its rightful citizenry

#### Strategy:

Dota

Pirome

Tanyeli

Gülkoru

Bahçedere

Aydınlar

Adaksu

- Focus world attention on the NKILO cause
- Aggravate the ANFAR / AZ situation to create world support for NKILO cause
- **Support/oppose either ANFAR or AZ for** short-term political or military advantage

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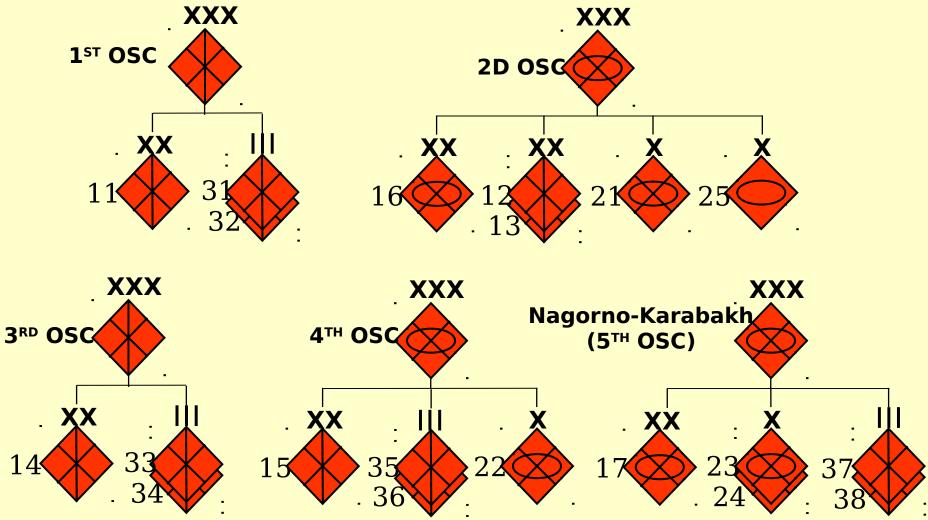
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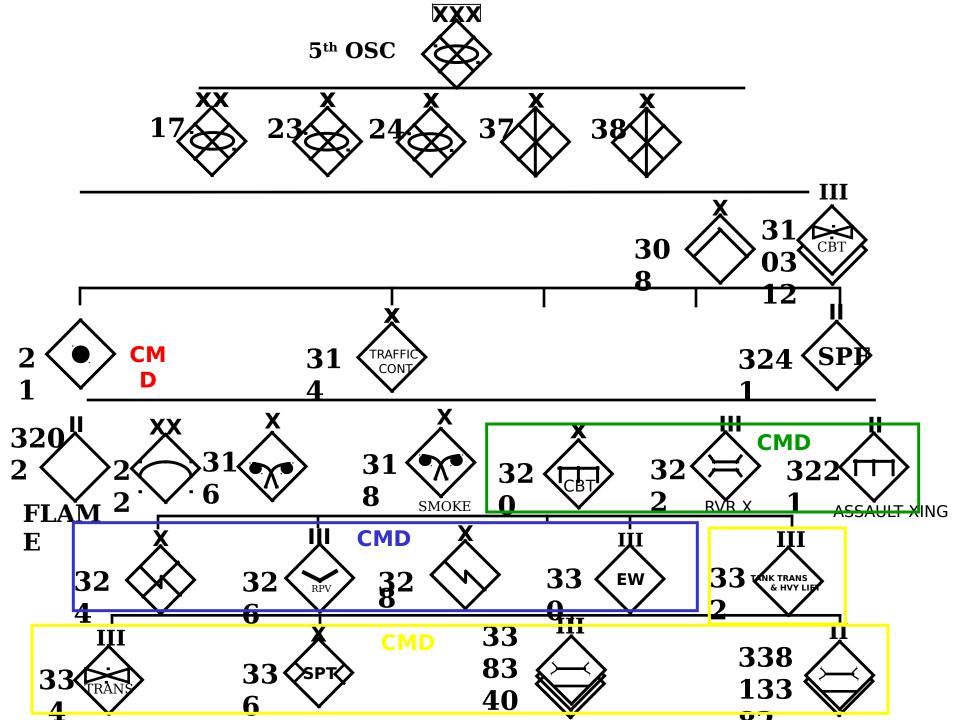
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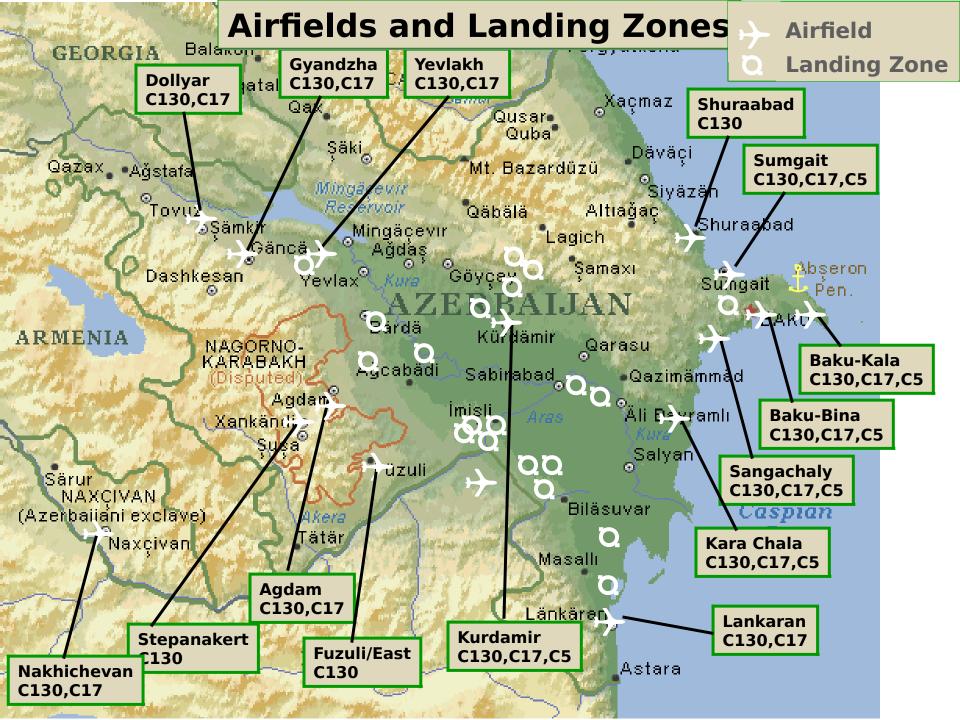
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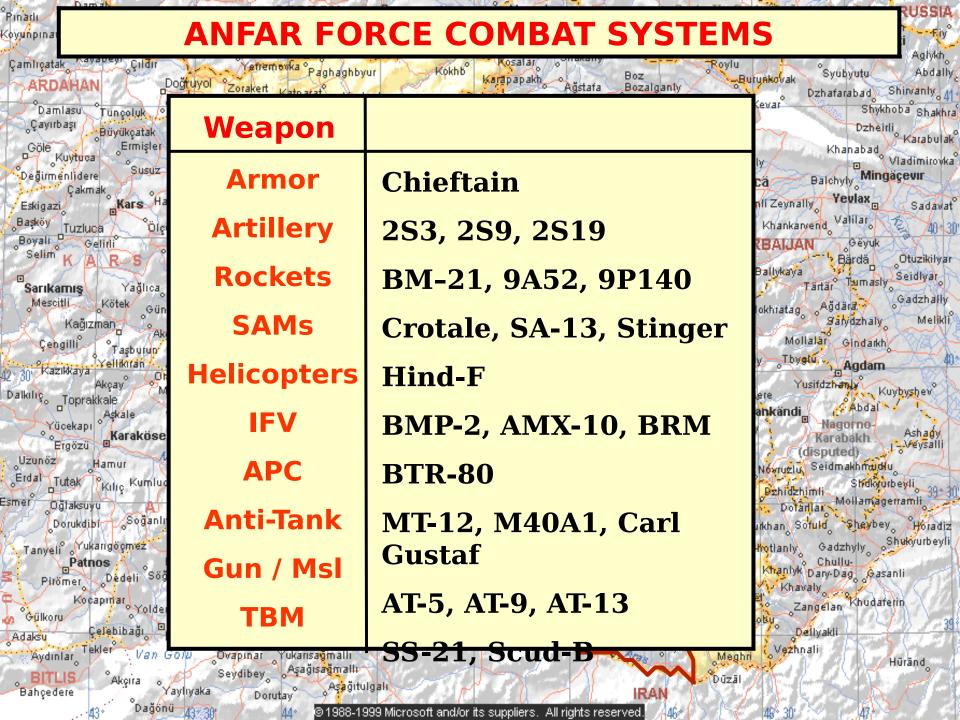
# OPERATIONAL STRATEGIC COMMANDS (OSC)







#### ANFAR ANTI-ACCESS CAPABILITY UKRAINE Mykolayiv\_ Mariupol' REGIONAL **GLOBAL SPF** Ploie. Dzhankov Astrakhan **UAV COVERAGE** COVERAGE BULGAR Maykop Cherkessk **S-400 SAM** 400 KM Black Sed Edirne MOUNTAINS Madikaykaz Zonguldak<sub>e</sub> a<sup>83</sup> SPEbilisi Adapazarı 0 **CRUISE** REPUBLIC OF Eskişehir RBAILAN **ANFAR MISSILE** Kütahya SPF 6 Uşak **COVERAGE** Sivas Erzin SPF Nevşehir Kayseri TO 3000 KM Elâzığ ⊙ Isparta anmaras ASIA oAntalya Adiyaman Gaziantep Ukmia WEREWOLF Torbatie Heydariyeh\_ 300 KM Lādhiqīy hrān Dayr az Zawr Hamāh Hamadan IRAN <sub>O</sub>Kāshān Only 2 Major SPODs in Georgia, 1 in **Azerbaijan** DASHT-E LÜT **UPIR TBM** Only 2 Major APODs in Azerbaijan; 10,000 1000 KM feet... 1 in Georgia Kerman I rights reserved. $\geq$ < 5000 miles began duty payed roads in



### **ADAPTIVE PRINCIPLES**

- •Control access to the region.
- •Change the nature of the conflict
- Employ operational shielding.
- Control tempo.
- •Neutralize technological overmatch.
- •Cause politically unacceptable casualties.
- Allow no sanctuary.

### ANFAR SYSTEMOLOGY

### **Adaptive Tenets**

**Strategic Operations**: Anfar uses IO and special operations to deter and/or limit outside involvement in the Anfar-Azeri conflict.

**Exclusion**: Anfar uses IO, IW, and special operations to preclude or limit US/coalition establishment of logistic or C2 sites for operations against Anfar.

**Limiting**: Anfar targets APOD/SPOD sites in Georgia and Azerbaijan with long-range precision fires, special operations, and IW to deny or disrupt the use of assets crucial for supporting US/coalition deployment into the AOR.

**Shielding**: Anfar uses dispersion, deception, sophisticated ambushes, as well as complex and urban terrain to neutralize US/coalition ISR and long-range precision strikes.

**Force Preservation:** Anfar uses complex terrain, limited maneuver and engineer operations to hide and disperse key equipment and C2 nodes. Extensive use of C5D2 to degrade US/coalition ISR and hamper its long-range targeting effort.

**Recon Fires**: Anfar uses precision fires from dispersed locations to attack key US C3, ISR, and logistic nodes.

Mahila Strika: Anfar strikes US/scalition forces when and where

## ADAPTIVE APPLICATIONS

Anfar high value military capabilities disperse and "hug" refugee camps, international organizations, mosques, hospitals . . .





Infantry and Engineers establish defenses in complex terrain

Mechanized / Armored units, supported by artillery and rockets, transition from rapid offensive operations to dynamic, multi-dimensional

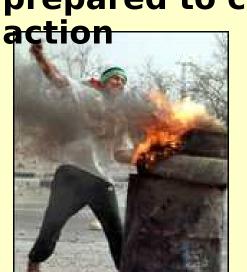


# **APPLICATIONS**



**GPS and electronic jammers are employed to shield forces** 

Azeri insurgents & dissidents - leveraged, trained, and prepared to conduct direct





Local citizens /reservists are organized and trained to report enemy troop movements and dispositions

# APPLICATIONS



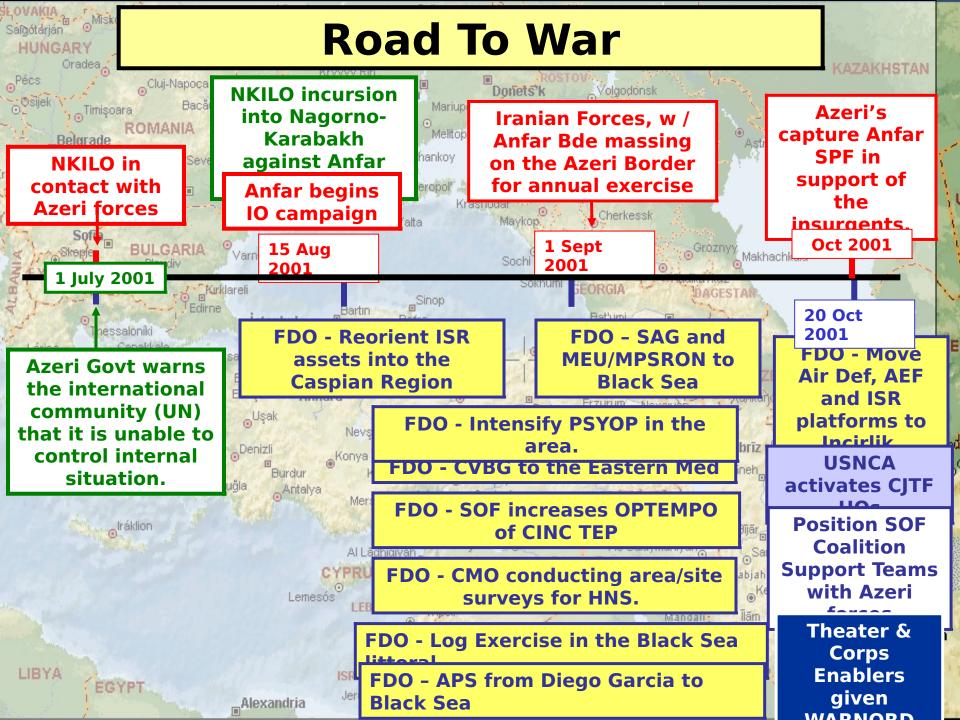
Special Purpose Forces target and take direct action against reserves, communications, LOCs, airfields . . . and other high payoff targets

Long Range - High Altitude sophisticated Air Defense systems are dispersed and hidden throughout Anfar and Nagorno-Karabakh

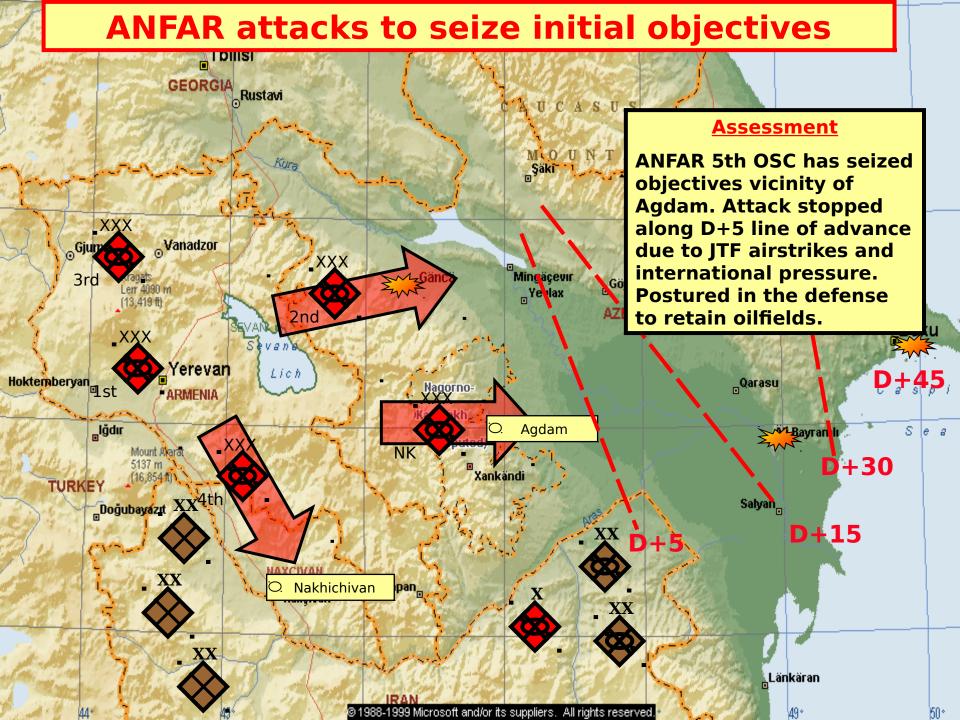


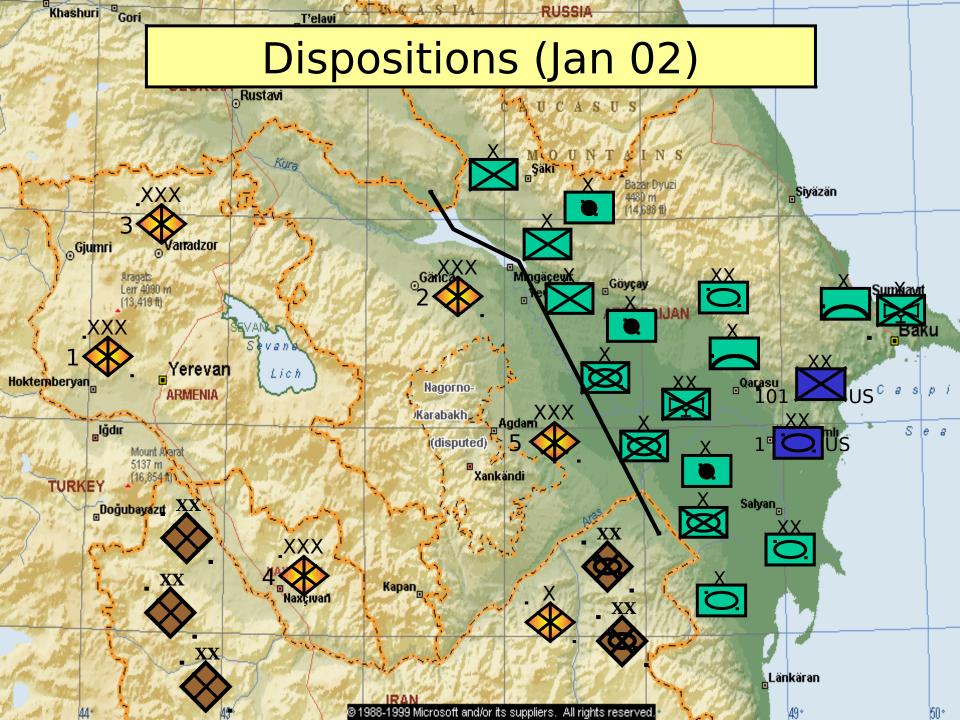


Mobile TBMs and Cruise Missiles postured to be prepared to strike critical targets









REPUBLIC OF ANFAR ANNOUNCED END STATE

KISIOVOGSK

- KAZAKHS
  - Aqtai
- Internationally recognized political control of NK
- Share in the economic benefits of the BTC pipleline
- Retribution for Turkish / Azeri genocide
- Strengthen Iranian partnership
- Access to Black Sea ports through the Baku-



